

SERVICE SCHEDULE for October 14, 2012

Announcements for the Week Jason LaChappelle

Morning Service
Prayer- Doug Davidson
Song Leader- Dan Buselmeier
Communion:
 -- **Comments** – Andy Dobbs
 -- **Assisting** – Lawrence Pope
 -- **Assisting** – Phillip Dorn
 -- **Assisting** – Curran LaChappelle
 -- **Assisting** – Gary Goddard
Scripture – Alex Tucker
Closing Prayer- David Fuller

Evening Service
Prayer- Phillip Dorn
Song Leader- Andy Dobbs
Comments – Andy Fuller
Serving – Jay Dobbs

Scripture – Jake Pope
Closing Prayer- Matt Fuller

Wednesday Night – October 17, 2012
First Prayer – Dan Buselmeier
Song Leader – Matt Fuller
Invitation – David Fuller
Closing Prayer – Andy Fuller

October 28 Sunday Night Lesson – Jason LaChappelle

Upcoming Assignments:

October	Communion	Cleaning
21	Buselmeier	Dorn, Gray, Irvin, Pope, Williams
28	Foxworthy	Foxworthy, German, McMullen, Jones, Stewart

Notes:

The Ladies meet on the first and third Monday of the month. Next meeting is tomorrow, October 15 at 7PM.

Men's Meeting: There are several matters that need to be discussed. This meeting is scheduled for THIS Sunday afternoon at 3:30.

Teacher's Meeting: This meeting is for the Lower Grades through 5th grade. This should be a brief meeting and will take place immediately after the morning service on October 21.

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Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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 Marshall Irvin -- Jason LaChappelle

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Altar Matters

1. Which of the twelve tribes caused civil war when they built a magnificent altar on the banks of the Jordan?
2. What judge built an altar and called it "The Lord is peace"?
3. What king of Israel built a Baal altar to please his pagan wife?
4. What judge's parents saw an angle going up to heaven in the flames on the altar?



The Finger of God

By David Maxson

All the dust of the earth became gnats in all the land of Egypt. The magicians tried by their secret arts to produce gnats, but they could not... Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is the finger of God." [Exodus 8:18-19]

God's power can be imitated but never duplicated.

Take, for example, the human body. It's a marvelous machine. It has eyes and ears to see and hear. It has a digestive system, a circulatory system, a nervous system, a system of bones and ligaments, etc. It is equipped with microscopic organisms that help fend off infection. Take any one part of the body and what you have is an absolute marvel of design.



The Finger of God

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Scientists and engineers have developed mechanical devices that do similar things to the human body. We have cameras that are self-focusing like the human eye. We have computers equipped with systems of communication and systems that fight against infection (we even call it "antivirus" software). We have designed engines that run on different types of fuel.

But none of these inventions by man can possibly compare to the complexity and the efficiency of the body. I do not know of antivirus software that is as adaptable as the human body at attacking different types of infections. There is not an engine made by man that can take such a variety of fuels (think of all the different types of food we eat) to run off of, nor is it as environmentally friendly.

Engineers look at the structure of our bones and are amazed. They look at the sensitivity of our eyes and ears and are in awe. They study how precisely our motor skills work compared to manmade robotics and are astonished.

Truly, this is the finger of God!



Your Values and You

By Steve Hardin

Many are not aware of it, but the choices we make every day say a great deal about our sense of value. It's a simple fact that we choose what we like, what we are interested in. There is a good example in the Bible which shows us the relationship between choices and values. This example is referred to in **Hebrews 12:16** where we read, *"lest there be any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright."* This statement in Hebrews is made about Esau in connection with the story we find in **Genesis 25**.



I think this story demonstrates how much a man is often willing to give away for immediate satisfaction of his material or physical desires. The meal which Esau received from his brother, Jacob, was the most expensive meal that Esau would ever eat.

By virtue of being the firstborn son, Esau had the right of a greater share of inheritance in his father's house. He showed a total lack of

appreciation for this right which was his by birth. Instead of appreciation, his choice shows that he really did not comprehend the value of this great blessing.

We can yield to temptation to gratify the lusts of the flesh and thereby relinquish our right to the world's greatest heritage. When we neglect the kingdom of God and put material things above godliness, righteousness or holiness; we do not have a proper sense of values.

It is said that Esau was a profane person. The profane person is not only one who curse and takes God's name in vain or uses vulgar and obscene speech. A profane person is also one who does not value the spiritual blessing of God above the material things of this world.

What is the value of a dollar, or even a million of them, compared to the birthright of a child of God? All of the money in the world is only a mess of pottage when compared to the spiritual blessings in Christ. The beautiful mansion in this world is only a cheap trinket when compared to the heavenly mansions Jesus promised in **John 14:1-4**. Yet, there are those who for one little moment of pleasure in sin will turn from the Lord and sell their birthright.

Simple choices in our day to day lives show where in our list of priorities we place the kingdom of Christ. When we choose to come back to services on Sunday evening and when we attend Bible study classes on Sunday and Wednesday, we are saying by our choices what we consider to be important in our lives. If we do not choose to comeback when we could, we likewise are telling the world how much we do not value the spiritual things over physical things.

Likewise, our daily choices in regard to the kind of speech we will use, the kind of clothing that we will or will not wear and our daily conduct show just where our values lie. We prove by such things, no matter what we may say, whether God is first in my life or not. We show by our choices if going to heaven means more to me than popularity and pleasure in this world.



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1. Reuben, Gad, and a part of Manasseh [Joshua 22:1]
2. Gideon [Judges 6:24]
3. Ahab [1 Kings 16:32]
4. Samson's [Judges 13:20]

